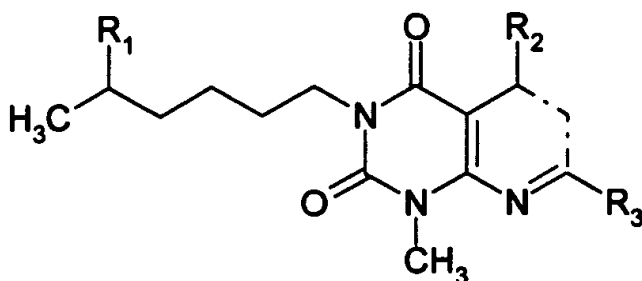


or



wherein:

R₁ is selected from a member of the group consisting of hydrogen, hydroxyl, methoxyl, acylamino group, cyano group, sulfo, sulfinyl, sulfhydryl (mercapto), sulfeno, sulfanilyl, sulfamyl, sulfamino, and phosphino, phosphinyl, phospho, phosphono and -NR_aR_b, wherein each of R_a and R_b may be the same or different and each is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and optionally substituted: C₍₁₋₂₀₎alkyl, C₍₃₋₁₂₎cycloalkyl, C₍₂₋₂₀₎alkenyl, C₍₃₋₁₂₎cycloalkenyl, C₍₂₋₂₀₎alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, and heterocyclic group;

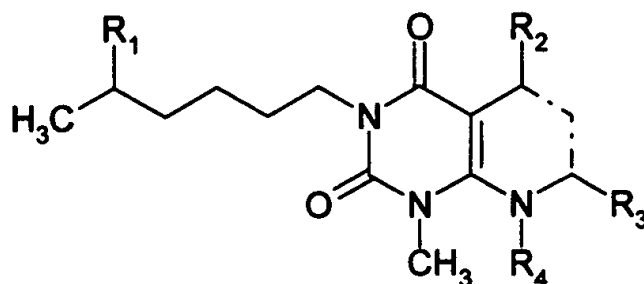
R₂ and R₃ are independently selected from a member of the group consisting of halo, oxo, C₍₁₋₂₀₎alkyl, C₍₁₋₂₀₎hydroxyalkyl, C₍₁₋₂₀₎thioalkyl, C₍₁₋₂₀₎alkylthio, C₍₁₋₂₀₎alkylaminoalkyl, C₍₁₋₂₀₎aminoalkyl, C₍₁₋₂₀₎aminoalkoxyalkenyl, C₍₁₋₂₀₎aminoalkoxyalkynyl, C₍₁₋₂₀₎diaminoalkyl, C₍₁₋₂₀₎triaminoalkyl, C₍₁₋₂₀₎tetraaminoalkyl, C₍₁₋₂₀₎alkylamido, C₍₁₋₂₀₎alkylamidoalkyl, C₍₁₋₂₀₎amidoalkyl, C₍₁₋₂₀₎acetamidoalkyl, C₍₂₋₂₀₎alkenyl, C₍₂₋₂₀₎alkynyl, C₍₁₋₂₀₎alkoxyl, C₍₁₋₂₀₎alkoxyalkyl, C₍₁₋₂₀₎dialkoxyalkyl, and -NR_aR_b; and

R₄ may be hydrogen or an optionally substituted member of the group consisting of C₍₁₋₂₀₎alkyl, C₍₃₋₁₂₎cycloalkyl, C₍₂₋₂₀₎alkenyl, C₍₃₋₁₂₎cycloalkenyl, C₍₂₋₂₀₎alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, and heterocyclic group.

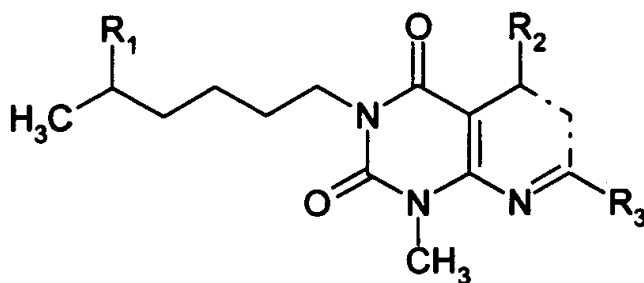
β^2 2. (Amended) The therapeutic compound of claim 1, wherein R_2 and R_3 are independently selected from a member of the group consisting of hydrogen, halo, thio, oxo, $C_{(1-10)}$ alkyl, $C_{(1-10)}$ hydroxyalkyl, $C_{(1-10)}$ thioalkyl, $C_{(1-10)}$ alkylthio, $C_{(1-10)}$ alkylamino, $C_{(1-10)}$ alkylaminoalkyl, $C_{(1-10)}$ aminoalkyl, $C_{(1-10)}$ aminoalkoxyalkenyl, $C_{(1-10)}$ aminoalkoxyalkynyl, $C_{(1-10)}$ diaminoalkyl, $C_{(1-10)}$ triaminoalkyl, $C_{(1-10)}$ tetraaminoalkyl, $C_{(1-10)}$ aminotrialkoxyamino, $C_{(1-10)}$ alkylamido, $C_{(1-10)}$ alkylamidoalkyl, $C_{(1-10)}$ amidoalkyl, $C_{(1-10)}$ acetamidoalkyl, $C_{(2-10)}$ alkenyl, $C_{(2-10)}$ alkynyl, $C_{(1-10)}$ alkoxy, $C_{(1-10)}$ alkoxyalkyl, and $C_{(1-10)}$ dialkoxyalkyl.

β^3 6. (Twice Amended) The therapeutic compound of claim 4, wherein the heterocyclic group is a member selected from the group consisting of acridinyl, aziridinyl, azocinyl, azepinyl, benzimidazolyl, benzodioxolanyl, benzofuranyl, benzothiophenyl, carbazole, 4a H-carbazole, chromanyl, chromenyl, cinnolinyl, decahydroquinolinyl, dioxindolyl, furazanyl, furyl, furfuryl, imidazolidinyl, imidazolinyl, imidazolyl, 1H-indazolyl, indolenyl, indolinyl, indoliziny, indolyl, 3H-indolyl, isobenzofuranyl, isochromanyl, isoindolinyl, isoindolyl, isoquinolinyl, isothiazolyl, isoxazolyl, morpholinyl, naphthyridinyl, octahydro-isoquinolinyl, oxazolidinyl, oxazolyl, oxiranyl, perimidinyl, phenanthridinyl, phenanthrolinyl, phenarsazinyl, phenazinyl, phenothiazinyl, phenoxathiinyl, phenoxazinyl, phthalazinyl, piperazinyl, piperidinyl, 4-pipendonyl, piperidyl, pteridinyl, purinyl, pyranyl, pyrazinyl, pyrazolidinyl, pyrazolinyl, pyrazolyl, pyridazinyl, pyndinyl, pyridyl, pyndyl, pyrimidinyl, pyrrolidinyl, 2-pyrrolidonyl, pyrrolonyl, pyrrolyl, 2H-pyrrolyl, quinazolinyl, 4H-quinoliziny, quinolinyl, quinoxalinyl, quinuclidinyl, β -carbolinyl, tetrahydrofuranyl, tetrahydroisoquinolinyl, tetrahydroquinolinyl, tetrazolyl, 6H-1,2,5-thiadiazinyl, 2H-,6H-1,5,2-dithiazinyl, thianthrenyl, thiazolyl, thienyl, thiophenyl, triazinyl, xanthenyl and xanthinyl.

β^4 37. (Amended) A therapeutic compound, including resolved enantiomers, diastereomers, tautomers, salts and solvates thereof, having one of the following formulae:



or



wherein:

R₁ is selected from a member of the group consisting of hydrogen, hydroxyl, methoxyl, acylamino group, cyano group, sulfo, sulfonyl, sulfinyl, sulfhydryl (mercapto), sulfeno, sulfanilyl, sulfamyl, sulfamino, phosphino, phosphinyl, phospho, phosphono and -NR_aR_b, wherein each of R_a and R_b may be the same or different and each is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen and optionally substituted: C₍₁₋₂₀₎alkyl, C₍₃₋₁₂₎cycloalkyl, C₍₂₋₂₀₎alkenyl, C₍₃₋₁₂₎cycloalkenyl, C₍₂₋₂₀₎alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, and heterocyclic group;

R₂ and R₃ are independently selected from a unsubstituted or substituted member of the group consisting of methyl, ethyl, oxo, isopropyl, n-propyl, isobutyl, n-butyl, t-butyl, 2-hydroxyethyl, 3-hydroxypropyl, 3-hydroxy-n-butyl, 2-methoxyethyl, 4-methoxy-n-butyl, 5-hydroxyhexyl, 2-bromopropyl, 3-dimethylaminobutyl, 4-chloropentyl, methylamino, amino-methyl, and methylphenyl; and

R₄ may be hydrogen or an optionally substituted member of the group consisting of C₍₁₋₂₀₎alkyl, C₍₃₋₁₂₎cycloalkyl, C₍₂₋₂₀₎alkenyl, C₍₃₋₁₂₎cycloalkenyl, C₍₂₋₂₀₎alkynyl, aryl, heteroaryl, and heterocyclic group.